

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

WEDNESDAY, THE SIXTEENTH DAY OF NOVEMBER
TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE V.ESWARAIAH

WRIT PETITION No. 24400 of 2005

Between:

L. Venkanna and 3 others

..... PETITIONERS

AND

The State of Andhra Pradesh,

Rep by its Secretary, Prohibition & Excise Department,

Secretariat, Hyderabad and 3 others

.....RESPONDENTS

ORDER:

Seeking a Mandamus, declaring the action of the respondents in not renewing the licenses in favour of the petitioners for conducting the sale of toddy, as illegal and arbitrary, the present writ petition is filed.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and the learned Government Pleader for Prohibition and Excise.

It is stated that the petitioners are the T.F.T. License holders of Sultanabad village, Tenali Mandal, Guntur District and their licenses have been expired by September, 2002. But the respondents have not renewed their licenses so far and therefore, the petitioners made a representation on 27.09.2005 before the respondents in this regard. What happened from October, 2002 till today it is not known. However, the representation filed by the petitioners has not been considered by the respondents so far.

Having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case, I deem it appropriate to dispose of the writ petition, with a direction to the 3rd respondent, who is the licensing authority, to consider and dispose of the representation of the petitioners dated 27.09.2005, in accordance with law, within a period of 8 (eight) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

With the above observations, the Writ Petition is disposed of. No order as to costs.

V.ESWARAIAH,J

Dated: 16.11.2005

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